

ANGELS

And The Second Coming of Jesus Christ In Judgment

Matthew 25:31

“But when the Son of Man comes in His glory,

This is as far as we got last week.

The significance of the title Son of Man—by which God gave Him authority of all judgment (John 5:27) and how the Glory of His humanity was gained by His Cross Work which glorified the Righteousness and Love of God. Another passage that needs to be considered in reference to the combination of The Son of Man and His Glory is in the Lord’s prayer of John 17:1-5

¹ *Jesus spoke these things; (in prayer) and lifting up His eyes to heaven, He said, “Father, (because we are in Jesus by faith we have the privilege of addressing our prayers to Our Father) the hour has come; (the Cross) glorify Your Son, in order that the Son may glorify You, (His Righteousness and His love)*

- 2 *even as You gave Him authority over all flesh, that to all whom You have given Him, He may give eternal life.* (Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Savior God has given to Jesus Christ.)
- 3 *“This is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent.* (Jesus came to bring us to God the Father)
- 4 *“I glorified You on the earth, having accomplished the work which You have given Me to do.* (the Cross Work)
- 5 *“Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.* (As God Jesus has always existed, equal to GOD THE FATHER. Add to this passage in the Lord’s prayer, the passage we studied last week:)

John 13:31

31 *Therefore when he had gone out, Jesus *said, "Now is the Son of Man glorified, (the cross work) and God is glorified in Him; (by His cross work)*

32 *Since God is glorified in Him, (by His Cross Work) God will also glorify Him in Himself, and will glorify Him immediately. (after His Resurrection, Ascension and Session, being seated at the Right Hand of God on His Heavenly Throne.)*

So at the end of The Tribulation, after the Armageddon campaign, The Son of Man (JESUS CHRIST) will come to the valley of Jehoshaphat to judge all Gentiles, marking the end of The Times Of The Gentiles. (Luke 21:24).

How different is the Second Advent of JESUS CHRIST going to be than His First Advent, when He came in humiliation to die on the Cross for the sins of the world. He came as a suffering servant, but now He is coming as a Conquering Hero and Judge and King.

John 3:16

16 *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.*

17 *“For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him*

18 *“He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

But as we are seeing when He returns to the earth, He will come as Judge.

Matthew 25:31

“But when the Son of Man comes

This verb introduces a great change in history; JESUS CHRIST came in His Incarnation at “the fullness of time” (Galatians 4:4).

But His Second Coming to earth will be most dramatic, He will rise from His Seat at the Right Hand of God and come to earth, only this time to judge!

*31 But when the Son of man comes in His glory,
and all the ANGELS with Him,*

This takes us right into the **ANGELIC CONFLICT**
I am so tempted to get into about 6 months study on the
ANGELIC CONFLICT.

We are introduced to ANGELS in the first chapter of the first book given to us by God; that is the Book of Job. This takes place after the prehistoric conflict in the first earth, where the division of ANGELS was established. That is between fallen ANGELS, those who followed Lucifer, against God, and elect ANGELS, those who followed God. These two groups of ANGELS are in conflict all through the history of man.

Jesus the Christ is vital to God, to man and to ANGELS, or putting it in other words:

**Since JESUS CHRIST is vital to God, He is vital to ANGELS.
Since JESUS CHRIST is vital to God, He should be vital to
us, in our daily lives).**

We have studied the inter-relationship of ANGELS and man in Daniel, where ANGELS delivered God's message to Daniel. And we studied how ANGELS tried to stop Daniel from receiving God's message; how ANGELS fought with One Another; how ANGELS are over nations as well as over people.

In Matthew 25 we are seeing JESUS CHRIST coming with ANGELS, let us take a look at JESUS CHRIST and ANGELS.

We have studied JESUS CHRIST and the Holy Spirit.

Now let us note JESUS CHRIST and ANGELS.

[I] ANGELS Are A Major Rejoicing Part of The Birth of JESUS CHRIST.

A. An ANGEL proclaimed His coming birth

First, it was an ANGEL that God sent to tell of His birth to the parents of JESUS CHRIST. Think about this, God did not come to Mary Himself nor did He send her a vision or dream, no He commissioned an Angel to deliver this message.

Luke 1:26

26 Now in the sixth month the Angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city in Galilee called Nazareth,

27 to a virgin engaged to a man whose name was Joseph, of the descendants of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

28 And coming in, he said to her, "Greetings, favored one! The Lord is with you."

In verse 29 we have Mary's reaction

29 But she was very perplexed at this statement, and kept pondering what kind of salutation this was.

Announcing His Coming Birth and His Name

30 *The Angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; for you have found favor with God.*

31 *"And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall name Him Jesus.*

B. **It Was An ANGEL Who Announced His Birth**

Luke 2:8-12

8 *In the same region there were some shepherds staying out in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night.*

9 *And an Angel of the Lord suddenly stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they were terribly frightened.*

The Glory spoken of here is not the same Glory in Matthew 25:31, **the glory here is the glory of His Deity** while the glory in Matthew 25:31 is the glory of the Son of Man.

- 10 *But the Angel said to them, “Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people;*
- 11 *for today in the city of David there has been born for you a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.*

Fulfillment of Prophecy

- 12 *“This will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger-feeding trough for animals.”*
- 13 *And suddenly there appeared with the Angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,*

Multitude of ANGELS

- 14 *“Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased.”*

And God is please with anyone and everyone who believes in His Son, Jesus as the Christ...Messiah the Savior.

[II] ANGELS played an important role of ministering to Jesus in His life

A. **While Jesus was still an infant**

An Angel told His parents to flee to Egypt for Herod sought to kill Him.

An Angel came to tell his parents to return to Israel.

Matthew 2:13

13 *Now when they had gone, behold, an Angel of the Lord *appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Get up! Take the Child and His mother and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you; for Herod is going to search for the Child to destroy Him."* (and then the ANGEL came and told them it was safe to return)

Matthew 2:19

19 *But when Herod died, behold, an Angel of the Lord *appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, and said,*

20 *"Get up, take the Child and His mother, and go*

into the land of Israel; for those who sought the Child's life are dead.”

B. At the Temptation of JESUS CHRIST at the beginning of His Public Ministry

1. We learn something interesting about JESUS CHRIST and ANGELS

Matthew 4:6

⁶ *and *said to Him,* (this is Satan speaking to JESUS CHRIST) *“If-since You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written,* (people, Satan knows Scripture and he will use it against you, he will use it to get you out of the desired Plan of God) *‘HE WILL COMMAND HIS ANGELS CONCERNING YOU’; and ON their HANDS THEY WILL BEAR YOU UP, SO THAT YOU WILL NOT STRIKE YOUR FOOT AGAINST A STONE.’ ”*

Here Satan tries to use Scripture to get JESUS CHRIST to move out of the Plan of God for Him.

Remember, the best lie is one that contains truth.

By the way Satan is referring to another wonderful passage on JESUS CHRIST and ANGELS.

Psalm 91:11-12

- 11 *For He* (GOD THE FATHER) *will give His ANGELS charge concerning you,* (JESUS CHRIST) *To guard you in all your ways.* (How wonderful is this, from the love of GOD THE FATHER for His Son; JESUS CHRIST is guided by GOD THE HOLY SPIRIT and is guarded by ANGELS)
- 12 *They* (ANGELS) *will bear you* (JESUS CHRIST) *up in their hands, That you do not strike your foot against a stone.* (This is a very important passage dealing with Christology in the Old Testament, especially in Psalm.)

2. ANGELS minister to Jesus after the temptation

Matthew 4:11

11 *Then the devil *left Him; and behold,
ANGELS came and began to minister to Him.*

(This reminds us of the humanity of Jesus. He has not eaten for some 40 days.)

3. ANGELS came to Jesus in the heat of the battle in the garden of Gethsemane.

Luke 22:42-43

42 (Jesus) *saying, "Father, if You are willing, remove this cup from Me; yet not My will, but Yours be done."*

43 *Now an Angel from heaven appeared to Him, strengthening Him.*

The humanity of Jesus was ministered to by ANGELS when physically weakened and was strengthened by ANGELS when weakened inwardly.

[III] ANGELS Played An Important Role At His Resurrection.

Notice we jumped from His battle in the garden to His Resurrection. Nothing about their aiding Him while on the Cross.

And oh, they could have: Matthew 26:53

53 “Or do you think that I cannot appeal to My Father, and He will at once put at My disposal more than twelve legions of Angels? (More than enough to take care of the Romans.)”

But when you pray, you can thank God that Jesus did not appeal to GOD THE FATHER but completed His mission of dying for all sins of the world, including yours.

Now to His Resurrection.

An Angel rolled back the stone which covered His Tomb, not to let Jesus out, but to let the world in.

Matthew 28:1-7

1 Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to look at the grave.

2 And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred,

for an Angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it.

3 and his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow.

4 The guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men.

5 The Angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified.

6 "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Come, see the place where He was lying (ANGELS announced His birth and now an Angel announces His Resurrection.)

7 "Go quickly and tell His disciples that He has

risen from the dead; and behold, He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see Him; behold, I have told you.” (note carefully that the two Mary’s saw and spoke to this ANGEL. This may give us a clue to our study in Matthew 25:31 about the ANGELS coming with JESUS CHRIST for this Judgment.)

Luke 24:4-7

4 *While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men suddenly stood near them in dazzling clothing,*

5 *and as the women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living One among the dead?”*

6 *“He is not here, but He has risen. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee,*

⁷ *saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.”* (Here we see that the ANGELS appeared as men, perhaps as they will at the Judgement of the Gentiles.)

[IV] ANGELS With Him At His Second Coming For Judgment

A. ANGELS prophesied His return to earth

Acts 1:10-11

¹⁰ *And as they were gazing intently into the sky while He was going, (Ascension of JESUS CHRIST) behold, two men in white clothing (ANGELS) stood beside them.*

¹¹ *They also said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven.”*

Now before we move on in this section of our study,

remember we have studied Jesus Christ and ANGELS in Matthew 24:31 (15 March, 2015).

Here we noted that **the Bible teaches of the creation of supernatural beings called ANGELS.** We briefly noted the **ANGELIC CONFLICT**, by the existence of **two wills**, the will of God and the will of Lucifer challenging the will of God and the conflict that came about and that, **of course, God Wins and cast all the demons, fallen ANGELS into the deep.**

Then we noted that ANGELS are a vital part of our daily lives here in the Church Age, your marriage, your spiritual growth and this from. Ephesians 6:12

¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places.

And then we noted how JESUS CHRIST came into

the world in His First Advent *lower than ANGELS*
(Hebrews 2:9) but by His Death, Burial,
Resurrection, Ascension and Session at the right-
hand of God is now superior to ANGELS.

Hebrews 1:4-8 and 13 and 2:14.

And we noted that everyone who
believes in Jesus as their Savior are **IN Christ** and,
therefore, every believer of the Church Age
is positionally superior to every Angel.
(Hebrews 1:14).

Now we resume our study.

[V] ANGELS With Him at His Second Coming for Judgment.

- A. **ANGELS prophesied His return to earth.**
Acts 1:10-11.

- B. **In the midst of the Tribulation God will
send an Angel to be sure every person
on earth hears the everlasting gospel.**

Revelation 14:6-8

⁶ *And I saw another Angel flying in mid-heaven, having an eternal gospel to preach to those who live on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people;*

⁷ *and he said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters."*

⁸ *And another Angel, a second one, followed, saying, "Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great, she who has made all the nations drink of the wine of the passion of her immorality."*

If you do not want to believe in Jesus, as the **SAVING**

MESSIAH, then you will suffer the fate of Babylon.

Many Christians know about the 144,000 Jewish Evangelists in The Tribulation, but not many know that **God will send an ANGEL** and he will see to it that everyone knows the gospel.

- C. **All the ANGELS of heaven will come to earth with JESUS CHRIST for various responsibilities.**

Matthew 25:31

31 “But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the ANGELS with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.

- D. **Some of these ANGELS will be sent by JESUS CHRIST to gather Jews from all over the world and bring them to Israel.**

Matthew 24: 31

31 “*And He will send forth His ANGELS with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect (Jews who believe in Jesus as the promised Messiah) *from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.* (Some try to make this a passage of the Rapture of the Church. But note that here we have a) *great trumpet* (while with **The Rapture**—just a trumpet and there is nothing about ANGELS and the Rapture of the Church.)*

Now if we compare this with Mark 13:27

27 “*And then He will send forth the ANGELS, and will gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest end of the earth to the farthest end of heaven.*

This phrase *to the farthest end of heaven* refers to

all believing Jews of all history—Old Testament.

So at this point in the **End of The Tribulation, ANGELS** will gather Jews from heaven and earth to the Promised Land.

You will recall that the Judgment of the Gentiles occurs after the establishment of Israel. (Joel 3)

Joel 3:1-3

¹ *“For behold, in those days and at that time,
When I restore the fortunes of Judah and
Jerusalem,*

² *I will gather all the nations And bring them down
to the valley of Jehoshaphat. Then I will enter
into judgment with them there On behalf of My
people and My inheritance, Israel, Whom they
have scattered among the nations; And they
have divided up My land.*

3 *“They have also cast lots for My people,
Traded a boy for a harlot And sold a girl for
wine that they may drink.*

SO ANGELS WILL HAVE
IMPORTANT RESPONSIBILITIES

WHEN JESUS CHRIST
RETURNS TO THE EARTH AT THE
END OF THE TRIBULATION.